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SUBJECT: BRAIDWOOD, UNITS 1 AND 2 - REQUEST FOR WITHHOLDING
INFORMATION FROM PUBLIC DISCLOSURE (EPID L-2017-LRM-0047)

Dear Mr. Hanson:

By e-mail dated November 27, 2017 (Agencywide Documents Access and Management System (ADAMS) Accession No. ML18018A028, you submitted an affidavit dated November 23, 2017 (ADAMS Accession No. ML18018A029), executed by Alexy Dolgov of Joint Stock Company TVEL, requesting that the information contained in the following document be withheld from public disclosure pursuant to Title 10 of the *Code of Federal Regulations* (10 CFR), Part 2, Section 2.390:

TVEL LTA Status Report 120717 (FINAL - Proprietary) dated December 7, 2017

The affidavit states that the submitted information should be considered exempt from mandatory public disclosure because it contains:

- a. Information that discloses a process, method, or apparatus, including supporting data and analyses, where prevention of its use by TVEL's competitors without license from TVEL constitutes a competitive economic advantage over TVEL and/or other companies.
- b. Information that, if used by a competitor, would reduce their expenditure of resources or improve their competitive position in the design, manufacture, shipment, installation, assurance of quality, or licensing of a similar product.

We have reviewed your application and the material in accordance with the requirements of 10 CFR 2.390 and, on the basis of the statements in the affidavit, have determined that the submitted information sought to be withheld contains proprietary commercial information and should be withheld from public disclosure. Therefore, the above documents marked as proprietary, will be withheld from public disclosure pursuant to 10 CFR 2.390(b)(5) and Section 103(b) of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended. The non-proprietary version of the document is provided at ADAMS Accession No. ML18018A030.

Withholding from public inspection shall not affect the right, if any, of persons properly and directly concerned to inspect the documents. If the need arises, we may send copies of this

information to our consultants working in this area. We will, of course, ensure that the consultants have signed the appropriate agreements for handling proprietary information.

If the basis for withholding this information from public inspection should change in the future such that the information could then be made available for public inspection, you should promptly notify the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC). You also should understand that the NRC may have cause to review this determination in the future, for example, if the scope of a Freedom of Information Act request includes your information. In all review situations, if the NRC makes a determination adverse to the above, you will be notified in advance of any public disclosure.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, I may be reached at 301-415-6606.

Sincerely,

 for

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